

**WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. A wireless telephone, comprising:  
on-board circuitry configured to enable a predetermined amount of calling time.
2. The wireless telephone of claim 1 wherein:  
5       said on-board circuitry includes memory; and  
      said memory is configured to enable the predetermined amount of calling time.
3. The wireless telephone of claim 1, further comprising:  
activation system access information; and  
telephone activation information.
- 10     4. The wireless telephone of claim 3 wherein:  
          said activation system access information is comprised by at least one system-scannable code; and  
          said telephone activation information is comprised by at least one system-scannable code.
- 15     5. The wireless telephone of claim 1, further comprising:  
activation system access information; and  
telephone activation information embedded in said on-board circuitry, wherein  
      said on-board circuitry is configured for providing said telephone activation  
      information to said activation system in response to said activation system  
20       being accessed using said activation system access information.

6. The wireless telephone of claim 1, further comprising:  
telephone activation information embedded in said on-board circuitry;  
wherein said on-board circuitry is configured for providing said telephone  
activation information to said activation system in response to said activation  
system being accessed using the wireless telephone;  
5 wherein said on-board circuitry includes memory; and  
wherein said memory is configured to enable the predetermined amount of calling  
time.
7. The wireless telephone of claim 6 wherein:  
10 said activation system access information is comprised by at least one system-  
scannable code; and  
said telephone activation information is comprised by at least one system-  
scannable code.
8. The wireless telephone of claim 1 wherein:  
15 said on-board circuitry is comprised by a removable module; and  
the removable module is selectively engagable with and disengagable with other  
onboard circuitry.
9. The wireless telephone of claim 8, further comprising:  
activation system access information; and  
20 telephone activation information embedded in said on-board circuitry, wherein  
said on-board circuitry is configured for providing said telephone activation  
information to said activation system in response to said activation system  
being accessed from the wireless telephone using said activation system access  
information.

10. The wireless telephone of claim 9 wherein:

said on-board circuitry includes memory; and

said memory is configured to enable the predetermined amount of calling time.

11. A packaged wireless telephone, comprising:

a wireless telephone including on-board circuitry configured to enable a predetermined amount of calling time;  
packaging having the wireless telephone packaged therein;  
activation system access information on at least one of a component of the wireless telephone and said packaging; and  
at least one of telephone activation information on said packaging, telephone activation information on documentation within said packaging, telephone activation information on a component of the wireless telephone and telephone activation information embedded in said on-board circuitry.

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12. The wireless telephone of claim 11 wherein:

said activation system access information is comprised by at least one system-scannable code; and  
said telephone activation information is comprised by at least one system-scannable code.

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13. The wireless telephone of claim 11 wherein:

said on-board circuitry is comprised by a removable module; and  
the removable module is selectively engagable with and disengagable with other onboard circuitry.

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14. The wireless telephone of claim 11 wherein said on-board circuitry is configured for providing said telephone activation information to said activation system in response to said activation system being accessed from the wireless telephone using said activation system access information.

15. A method, comprising:

configuring on-board circuitry of a wireless telephone to enable a predetermined amount of calling time;  
providing activation system access information on at least one of packaging  
5 having said on-board circuitry packaged therein, documentation within said packaging, said on-board circuitry and a surface of the wireless telephone;  
providing telephone activation information, wherein said telephone activation information is at least one of provided on said packaging, provided on said on-board circuitry, provided on a surface of the wireless telephone and embedded  
10 in said on-board circuitry; and  
enabling communication operation of the wireless telephone in response to said activation system receiving said telephone activation information.

16. The method of claim 15 wherein:

said activation system access information is comprised by at least one system-  
15 scannable code;  
said telephone activation information is comprised by at least one system-  
scannable code;  
enabling said communication operation includes scanning said at least one  
20 system-scannable code for facilitating said receiving telephone activation  
information.

17. The method of claim 15 wherein said scanning is performed by a point-of sale system for:  
receiving payment for at least one of said on-board circuitry and the wireless  
telephone; and  
communicating said telephone activation information to said activation system.

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18. The method of claim 15 wherein:

5           said activation system access information includes a telephone number;  
              said telephone activation information includes a human readable code;  
              enabling said communication operation includes calling said activation system  
              using said telephone number and entering said human readable code for  
              facilitating said receiving telephone activation information.

19. The method of claim 15 wherein

10           said on-board circuitry is comprised by a removable module; and  
              the removable module is selectively engagable with and disengagable with other  
              onboard circuitry.

20. The method of claim 15 further comprising:

15           configuring said on-board circuitry with said telephone activation information,  
              wherein said on-board circuitry is thereby capable of facilitating transmission  
              of said telephone activation information for reception by said activation  
              system.

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